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Techniques for Protein Fibers

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The instant application was passed to allowance on February 05, 2003. The Applicants, however, should like to amend the application for the reasons as follow.